

HB5642



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by Rep. Kenneth Dunkin

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

605 ILCS 5/4-224 new

Amends the Illinois Highway Code. Provides that the Department of Transportation may analyze the State highway system to identify areas, such as rest stops or improved shoulders, where vehicles may safely stop for the purpose of using a cell phone or other communication device. Provides that the Department of Transportation may erect signs alerting drivers to the presence of these areas.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning transportation.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Illinois Highway Code is amended by adding
5 Section 4-224 as follows:

6 (605 ILCS 5/4-224 new)

7 Sec. 4-224. Communication Zones.

8 (a) The Department may conduct an analysis of the State
9 highway system to identify areas along State highways where
10 drivers may safely exit the flow of traffic and stop for the
11 purpose of using an electronic communications device as defined
12 by Section 12-610.2 of the Illinois Vehicle Code. These areas
13 may include but are not limited to rest stops and improved or
14 expanded shoulders.

15 (b) After identifying areas where vehicles may safely stop
16 for the purpose of using electronic communication devices under
17 subsection (a) of this Section, the Department may erect
18 appropriate blue and white signs alerting drivers to the
19 existence and location of these areas.

20 (c) The Department may adopt rules to implement this
21 Section.